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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 5, 2004, please reconsider  
the present application in view of the following remarks.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesy expressed during the telephone  
interview between Applicant's representative (the undersigned) and the Examiner on  
May 24, 2004. During that interview Applicant explained why the Lee reference does  
not disclose what the Examiner contended it discloses. The following discussion  
highlights the points discussed during that interview.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner's statements in the "Response  
to Arguments" in the Final Office Action (pages 8-9) are in error. The Examiner has  
misinterpreted the Lee reference. Applicant maintains the arguments submitted in the